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circumstances and either bring oblivion so the person is totally unaware of those circumstances. It can distort reality so that the problem, if it is a problem, seems less severe, or it can erase everything and just leave a sense of pleasure and the notion that all is well with the world. When people have extremely severe problems, you could almost say severe, acute, recurring depression, they don't want to go back to it once they have left it because they have fewer mental resources after they've gone on their high than they had before they took that trip. So when they come back from cloud nine, Senator Aguilar, they feel worse off than before they went there. And they have to try to get there again. Old Solomon, who was supposed to be the wisest guy who ever lived, yet he had something like 500 wives and 750 concubines, and they said he was the wisest man who ever lived. But nevertheless, he had talked about wine and said how people will consume it and it will make them feel good, but at the last it rises up and strikes like an adder or a poison snake. It does terrible things. So there are different addictions that people suffer in this society and they continue to be aggravated and grow worse. And the person who is afflicted is not able, in many situations, to help himself or herself. When a society becomes aware of such substances, it can address them in several ways. The first is to fail to address the existence at all, just let it be there, run its course, and do whatever it's going to do, and adopt the position that whoever falls into that situation deserves what he or she gets. It can try to remove that substance by preventing its production or its sale or distribution. If that is not successful, it can attempt to criminalize the act of anybody who provides the substance. It can criminalize the use of the substance. All of these things go after symptoms, and because of that, addictions are not going to be prevented and, on the whole, they are not going to be successfully treated, meaning that the person will not relapse. If there is an underlying problem which the addictive substance is resorted to, in the hopes of overcoming by concealing and masking that problem, if that underlying problem is not dealt with, the addiction is not going to go away. The person who is addicted, unless he or she is independently wealthy and will not run out of money, is going to first spend all the money he or she has got, will lose a job if he or she is employed, then begin to sell off items if he or